

**Lee County Board of Education
Policy Committee Meeting
Assembly Room, Basement
Heins Education Building
August 18, 2026
4:30pm**

Members Present:

Chris Gaster-Chairman, Policy Committee, Lee County Board of Education
Cindy Ortiz-Lee County Board of Education Member
David Smoak-Lee County Board of Education Member
Dr. Chris Dossenbach-Superintendent
Dr. Natalie Kelly-Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction
Stacie Eggers-Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Dr. Lisa Duffey-Executive Director of Student Services
Stefanie Clarke-Executive Director of Accountability, Planning, and Performance
Ricky Secor-Director of Federal Programs
Wendy Perrell-Principal, Broadway Elementary School
Elayne Monjar-Assistant Principal, Deep River Elementary School
Amy Lundy-Principal, Southern Lee High School
Susan P. Britt-Administrative Assistant

Members Present Remotely:

Stephen Rawson-Board Attorney

Chairman Chris Gaster called the meeting to order.

Due to the absence of Policy Committee member Laura Stryffeler, Cindy Ortiz served as her substitute.

Approval of August 18, 2026 Agenda-The August 18, 2026. agenda was approved.

Approval of May 19, 2026 minutes-The May 19, 2026, minutes were approved.

Policies for Review

North Carolina School Boards Association

Required Updates

Policy 3200-Selection of Instructional and Supplementary Materials

Policy 3210-Parent Inspection of and Objection to Instructional and Supplementary Materials

Policy 3510-Religious-Based Exemptions from School Programs

Policy 5150/7313-Reporting to External Agencies

Policy 6442-Vendor Lists

Policy 9115-Prequalification of Bidders for Construction Projects

Policy 9120-Bidding for Construction Work

Cindy Ortiz moved to accept the recommended policy updates for submission to the Board for first reading at its September 8, 2026, meeting. The motion was seconded by Chairman Gaster and was approved unanimously.

Strongly Recommended Updates

Policy 6420-Contracts with the Board

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Rescinding Policies

Policy 6402-Participation by Historically Underutilized Businesses

Policy 9125-Participation by Minority Businesses

At the recommendation of Attorney Rawson, these policies need to be rescinded effective immediately along with further language to support other relevant policies. Attorney Rawson will provide a brief explanation at the September 8, 2026, meeting along with the suggested motions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5pm.